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MEMORANDUM FOR [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Delegations of Authority

1. I have approved, in principle, the transfer of certain of the Middle East communications activities of CIA from [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. In connection with the establishment of a station [REDACTED] the new facilities will furnish certain additional requirements of CIA.

2. You are to be dispatched to [REDACTED] for the purpose of taking necessary steps to activate the station. In order for you properly to carry out your function, the following authorizations are hereby delegated to you. You may authorize or approve, in your discretion:

a. The temporary employment of stenographic and office personnel and of needed labor [REDACTED] when such employment is necessary to the establishment of the station;

b. Temporary duty travel in the [REDACTED] area by civilian employees and consultants and the payment or reimbursement of expenses incident thereto.

3. In addition to the above authorities, you are authorized to:

a. Administer the Oath of Office required by 5 USC 16;

b. Enter into and sign contracts on behalf of the Government in accordance with existing law and regulations, including:

(1) Acquisition of land by purchase or lease;

(2) Procuring the personal services of an architect-engineer for review of plans and consultation in connection with construction work;

(3) Construction contracts for the construction of necessary buildings, erection of poles and other appurtenances necessary to the establishment of the station.

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4. The authorities delegated above shall terminate upon the activation of the station [] or upon your departure from []

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5. In the event you are unavailable to exercise the above listed authorities, where necessary, [] is granted the authority to exercise the enumerated powers and authorities where no other authorized CIA contracting officer is available []

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/s/ R. H. HILLENKOETTER
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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